

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

In re:)	
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Springfield Water and Sewer Commission)	NPDES Appeal No. 20-07
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Permit No. MA0101613)	
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ORDER SCHEDULING ORAL ARGUMENT AND DIRECTING PARTIES TO FILE
NOTICE OF PARTICIPATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR AMICI OBSERVERS

The Environmental Appeals Board (“Board”) has before it a petition for review of a Clean Water Act National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit renewal issued by U.S. EPA Region 1 (“Region”) to Springfield Water and Sewer Commission (“Commission”) for the Springfield Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility and combined sewer collection system in and around Agawam, Massachusetts. Petition for Review by Permittee Springfield Water and Sewer Commission, NPDES Appeal No. 20-07 (Oct. 30, 2020).

The Commission has requested oral argument. In its response brief the Region did not state any objection to the Commission’s request. Upon review of the administrative record and the briefs filed in this appeal, the Board has concluded that oral argument will assist in its deliberations of this matter. Accordingly, the Board will hold oral argument on **Wednesday, March 31, 2021**, beginning at **1:30 p.m. Eastern Time**. The Board has allocated sixty (60) minutes for this oral argument, divided as follows and in the following order: thirty (30) minutes for the Commission to present oral argument, followed by thirty (30) minutes for the Region. The Commission may reserve up to ten (10) minutes of their thirty-minute time allocation for rebuttal.

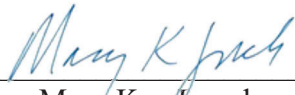
Oral argument will be conducted by videoconference. No video or audio recording is allowed. A court reporter will be present, and the Board intends to post a transcript of the argument to the docket in this matter.

The Board directs each party to file a “Notice of Participation” on or before **Monday, March 8, 2021** providing (1) the name(s) and contact information for the individual(s) who will present argument on its behalf, and (2) the name(s) and contact information for any other person(s) whose participation in the oral argument is deemed necessary. The Clerk of the Board will contact the parties in advance of the argument to provide further information regarding logistics and to schedule a videoconference approximately one week before the oral argument to identify and resolve any potential technical issues. Amici are invited to observe the oral argument and are requested to provide the name and contact information for the individual(s) who will represent them at the oral argument on or before **Monday, March 8, 2021**. The Clerk of the Board will provide further instructions and information on how to join the oral argument videoconference.

So ordered.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Dated: March 2, 2021

By: 
Mary Kay Lynch
Environmental Appeals Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that copies of the foregoing *Order Scheduling Oral Argument and Directing Parties to File a Notice of Participation and Instructions for Amici Observers* in the matter of Springfield Water and Sewer Commission, NPDES Appeal No. 20-07, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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